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NEWS RELEASE

United States Attorney Patrick L. Meehan and Philadelphia District Attorney Lynne Abraham announced today the filing of a 9-count Indictment¹ charging defendant CHAPPELLE GOODWIN with committing armed robberies of restaurant delivery personnel of commercial establishments on 4 occasions from on or about November 20, 2004, to on or about December 4, 2004 as follows:

No.	DATE	BUSINESS	LOCATION OF ROBBERY
1	11/20/04	Label's Pizza 5254 Market Street Philadelphia, PA	200 N. Ruby Street Philadelphia, PA
2	11/27/04	China Town Restaurant 319 S. 58th Street Philadelphia, PA	300 S. 58th Street Philadelphia
3	12/24/03	China Town Restaurant 319 S. 58th Street Philadelphia	200 N. Ruby Street Philadelphia, PA
4	12/4/04	Queens Chinese Restaurant 7552 Haverford Avenue Philadelphia, PA	200 N. 54th Street Philadelphia, PA

This investigation and prosecution was part of *Project Safe Neighborhoods*, a joint initiative by the United States Attorney's Office, each of the nine District Attorney's Offices in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF), the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and other federal, state and local law enforcement agencies to identify and prosecute dangerous firearms offenders in federal court, where the defendants are likely to receive a substantial sentence upon conviction. Recently,

 $^{^1}$ An Indictment or Information is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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as an extension of Project Safe Neighborhoods, the United States Attorney's Office, FBI, ATF, Philadelphia Police Department, and other law enforcement agencies have established the *Hobbs Act Robbery Task Force* to investigate and prosecute organized gangs and groups committing commercial armed robberies in this district. Defendant GOODWIN faces a maximum sentence of life imprisonment, including a mandatory term of 85 years imprisonment, five years supervised release, a \$2,250,000 fine and a \$900 special assessment.

This case has been investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Philadelphia Police Department, and other state and local law enforcement agencies. The case has been assigned to Special Assistant United States Attorney Arlene D. Fisk.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE
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